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## Gaza politics again embroil Arcata council

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ARCATA – While routine matters of employee contracts, homeless housing and legal affairs were on the City Council's agenda last week, demands that the City of Arcata endorse a Sister City relationship with a community in Gaza again dominated public comment portions of the meeting.

But a fierce effort by advocates doesn't appear to be making progress with unpersuaded councilmembers, two of whom – Stacy Atkins-Salazar and Alex Stillman – were soundly re-elected last month with their positions on the matter well known.

Councilmembers Sarah Schaefer and Kimberley White have signaled their openness to a Sister City proposal sponsored by the Redwood Peace and Justice Center Coalition (RPJC).

The third councilmember not on board with city backing for the proposal is Meredith Matthews, who last week gavelled to a close her final full meeting as mayor.

This week, Stillman will take the reins as mayor as part of the council's routine rotational protocol. With the

GAZA ♦ PAGE 8

## 'Settlement' in works for rock processing operation

Daniel Mintz  
MAD RIVER UNION

GLENDALE – Humboldt County's potentially punitive action on a rock processing company's permit has been held off as what staff describes as a "settlement" is worked out.

At its Dec. 3 meeting, the county's Board of Supervisors considered revoking or modifying the conditional use permit for Kernan Construction, which operates a rock and asphalt production company on Glendale Drive in the Glendale area.

Planning Director John Ford said there's "been a lot of work and a lot of meetings" to resolve permit issues and several – including those related to lighting and noise – have been addressed.

He said the only ones that remain involve "monitoring the soils that are moved on and off site."

Ford told supervisors a "settlement" is being nego-

tiated and he recommended postponing decision-making.

But supervisors opened a public comment period and residents of the area said Kernan's operations have changed since its permit was approved, with expanded hours of operation and noise, dust and truck traffic impacts.

Jim Smith – one of many Kernan employees at the meeting – said the neighborhood's long been an industrial area and noise is now limited to equipment and vehicle maintenance. He asked that the timeframe for maintenance not be restricted.

"We work very hard to support our neighbors by reducing as much noise as we can," he said. "But what we're having problem with is maintaining our fleet and our construction equipment. By minimizing our hours that we can work on that equipment, it's very difficult to operate a safe

KERNAN ♦ PAGE 3



'TIS THE SEASON Thursday, Dec. 5, was a memorable day, with a magnitude 7.0 earthquake (see page 3) in the morning and a visit from Santa that evening at the McKinleyville Shopping Center. McKinleyville turned out to light its tree. Afterwards, children got to have their pictures taken with Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Come see Santa at Jacoby's Storehouse on the Arcata Plaza Saturday, Dec. 14 and Sunday, Dec. 15 from 1:30 to 5 p.m. and on Saturday, Dec. 21 and Sunday, Dec. 22 from noon to 5 p.m.

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## The night before quake, McKinleyville was preparing

Jack Durham  
MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE – As part of its ongoing efforts to prepare the town for a major earthquake, the McKinleyville Community Services District is moving forward with a more than \$1.5 million project to upgrade one of its main sewer lift stations.

The MCSD Board of Directors voted unanimously Dec. 4 to file a notice of exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act. This will allow the district to begin to conduct studies of the lift station and begin the design process.

The morning after the

board's vote, a magnitude 7.0 earthquake struck Humboldt 49 miles off the coast from Rio Dell, rocking the North Coast and triggering a tsunami warning and evacuations. Although the quake caused minimal damage, it was a powerful reminder of the hazards of living on shaky ground.

Quakes can not only knock out power and topple buildings, but they can also damage critical infrastructure, like the sewer and water systems that the MCSD oversees.

The Fischer Sewer Lift Station, located on the Hammond Trail at the south end

of McKinleyville, is a vital piece of the town's infrastructure that allows residents to flush their toilets.

According to a report written by MCSD General Manager Pat Kaspari, "The

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# Witnesses sought as police search for missing man

**MAD RIVER UNION**  
EUREKA/GLENDALE – A Eureka man reported missing on Nov. 29 was captured on surveillance footage two days earlier at the Murphy's Market in Glendale.  
On Nov. 29 at approximately 2:52 p.m., Eureka Police Department Officers were dispatched to the 2100 block of G Street in Eureka for a missing person report. Michael Bounds' family indicated he was last seen Nov. 27 at approximately 6 p.m.  
Bounds is a 60-year-old white male, 5'10", approximately 190 lbs. with a health condition that requires daily medication.  
On November 30, a family member contacted EPD in regard to Bounds' 2006 silver Dodge Charger being located on Vance Avenue near Eureka Street in the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office jurisdiction.

With his vehicle located, in collaboration with HCSO Search & Rescue and CHP, greenbelts near where Bounds was last seen was searched. Bounds' vehicle was towed to a secure facility. The search of these greenbelts is still active.  
During the investigation and working in collaboration with the family, Criminal Investigations Unit personnel obtained surveillance footage of Bounds at Murphy's Market in Glendale/Blue Lake area on Nov. 27 at about 3 p.m. The images from the surveillance footage shows Bounds current appearance and the clothing he was



Michael Bounds

last seen wearing.  
As EPD's Criminal Investigations Unit Detectives and Forensic Analyst are actively working on locating Bounds, they are looking to speak with any potential witnesses who may have observed or had contact with Bounds since the night of Nov. 27. They are also working on locating surveillance footage of the area where Bounds' vehicle was located.  
Currently, this is an active At-Risk Missing Person incident.  
If anyone has any information or video footage, please contact EPD Criminal Investigations Unit at (707) 441-4300.

# Chainsaw heist in McKinleyville ends in arrest

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
MCKINLEYVILLE – On Dec. 1 at about 3 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the Ace Hardware store on Central

Avenue in McKinleyville for the report of theft.  
A store employee reported that a male suspect, later identified as Thomas Long, age 74, of Blue Lake, had entered the store and grabbed a Milwaukee chainsaw before quickly walking out of the store.  
Another store employee was on a break outside when he witnessed Long leave the store through

an unauthorized exit and place the chainsaw into the bed of his truck. The employee was able to retrieve the chainsaw out of the truck bed before Long drove away.  
Surveillance footage corroborated the eyewitness reports, and deputies responded to Long's residence in Blue Lake and apprehended him without incident.  
Long was transported to the Humboldt County Correctional Facility to be booked for petty theft (PC

484(a)).  
While booking Long into the facility, a Correctional Deputy located a plastic bag containing methamphetamine tucked in Long's sock, resulting in an additional charge of PC 4753.6(a).  
Anyone with information about this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

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Monday, Dec. 2	00.00	13.30	07.83	07.70
Tuesday, Dec. 3	00.00	13.30	07.83	07.96
Wednesday, Dec. 4	00.01	13.31	07.83	08.21
Thursday, Dec. 5	00.10	13.41	07.83	08.46
Friday, Dec. 6	00.00	13.41	08.70	08.71
Saturday, Dec. 7	00.03	13.44	09.19	08.97

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# Arcata Football advances to state championship

**MAD RIVER UNION**  
ARCATA – The Arcata High School Football Team won the Northern California championship Friday night, Dec. 6 and will now will vie for the state championship.  
The Tiger's 35-14 victory over Winters High School came one week after it clinched the North Coast Section Division-6 Championship at McKinleyville High School, beating Miramonte High School with a score of 28-21 on Dec. 3.  
The state championship takes place in Southern California Saturday, Dec. 14 starting at 7 p.m. at the Fullerton Union High School District Stadium.

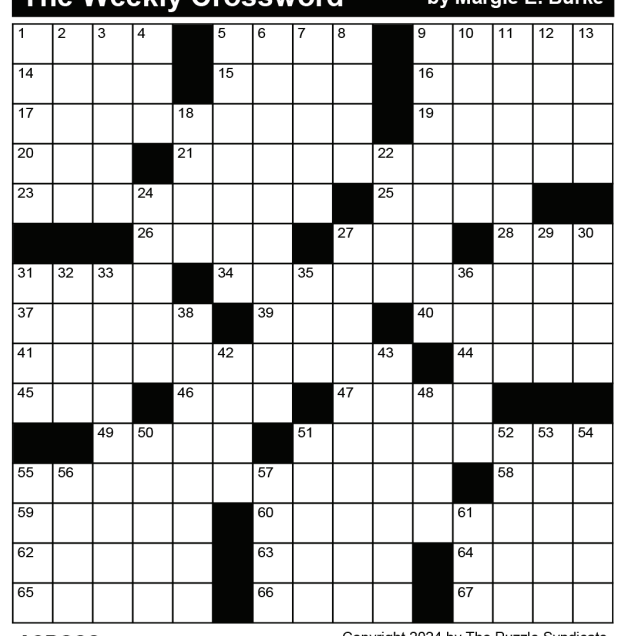
# Meth found after struggle

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
BLUE LAKE – On Dec. 1 at about 8 a.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies responded to a residence on Larson Heights Road near Blue Lake regarding a wanted person investigation.  
Sheriffs' deputies were looking for Curtis Lawson, age 30, of Blue Lake, who had a felony warrant for his arrest, and he was on active parole for felony assault.  
Deputies arrived at the residence, they knocked at the front door and announced their presence. Lawson was then observed running out of the back door toward a wooded area. Deputies were pre-positioned in the wooded area; they ran towards Lawson in the backyard and ordered him to stop.  
Contact was made between Lawson and the responding deputies, and Lawson refused to comply with a lawful order, and he put his hands on the deputy. Lawson actively resisted the deputies and refused to submit to arrest. The deputies took him to the ground and subsequently secured him in handcuffs.  
Deputies then conducted a parole search of the space Lawson was using inside the residence's garage. Lawson's identification was located near a meth pipe and 4.7g of methamphetamine.

Lawson was subsequently booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on his parole violation arrest warrant and the following charges:  
• Obstructing/resisting a public officer—PC 148(a)(1)  
• Possession of a controlled substance—HS 11377(a)  
• Possession of controlled substance paraphernalia—HS 11364(a)  
• Parole revocation—PC 3000.08(f)  
Anyone with information about this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251 or the Sheriff's Office Crime Tip line at (707) 268-2539.

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**The Weekly Crossword** by Margie E. Burke



ACROSS

1 Aberdeen native

5 Sickly-looking

9 Tanker mishap

14 Hardly racy

15 In \_\_\_\_ of (rather than)

16 "My Three Sons" son

17 Remove from a computer

19 Cruise flick, "All the Right \_\_\_\_"

20 "Fat chance!"

21 Disposition

23 Points, for example

25 Poetic adverb

26 Wallet fillers

27 In great shape

28 Schedule abbr.

31 Time gone by

34 Wrecking ball job

37 Winning

39 One for the road

40 Sing like Bing

41 Fertilized, in a way

44 Play opener

45 Sailor's affirmative

46 November honoree

47 Like some mattresses

49 Cornfield invader

51 Rift-causing

55 Put on a show

58 Hollywood's Knotts

59 Make like

60 Set apart

62 Ludicrous

63 Mellows, maybe

64 "Excuse me..."

65 Uptight

66 Read (over)

67 Small boat

DOWN

1 Hoodwinked

2 Rapids transit

3 Fails to mention

4 Royal flush card

5 Did a tailor's job

6 Blue-eyed feline

7 Lends a hand

8 Festive time

9 Of word meanings

10 Trailer

11 Whitney's cotton gin, e.g.

12 Property claim

13 "\_\_\_\_ we forget ..."

18 Leave slack-jawed

22 Staircase part

24 Wreck but good

27 Thumb's neighbor

29 Give the heave-ho

30 Poet Sexton

31 Family man

32 Yawl call

33 Town officer, in New England

35 Yoga need

36 Airport shuttles

38 Person no longer hitched

42 Pond swimmer

43 Widely varied

48 Tease

49 mercilessly

50 Checks

51 San \_\_\_\_, Calif.

52 Coeur d'Alene locale

53 Ballot caster

54 2001 film, "\_\_\_\_ at the Gates"


55 Put forth

56 Supreme Court count

57 Rush order?


61 Roam (about)

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# Humboldt OKs \$4.3 mil mental health pact

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**MAD RIVER UNION**

HUMBOLDT — Humboldt County is committing \$4.3 million to mental health care services in an agreement with the operator of a recently-built residential care facility.

The multi-million dollar agreement with Willow Glen Care Center, which operates the Hyperion House Crisis Residential Treatment Facility in Eureka, was approved by the county’s Board of Supervisors at its Dec. 3 meeting.

The 10-bed care center opened last summer and provides treatment to post-acute psychiatric care patients.

Board Chair Rex Bohn said he often hears people ask for better response to “critical mental health situations” but it’s “not a cheap problem to tackle.”

“I appreciate that this item was pulled because it does give us all an opportunity to look at what we’re facing in terms of cost – it is costly,” said county Behavioral Health Director Emi Botzler-Rogers.

She added that the two-year contract’s \$4.3 million cost is “par for the course in terms of supporting people with mental illness and placement” but is “a good use of our money.”

The treatment costs are reimbursable through Medi-Cal and budgeted through funding from the state’s Mental Health Services Act.

The contract approval was pulled from the meeting’s consent agenda of routine items by Supervisor Michelle Bushnell. She said residents have contacted her asking about the multi-million dollar cost and what it will pay for.

“I think it’s also important just to recognize that the use of the crisis residential treatment facility really supports our continuum of care,” said Botzler-Rogers. “It allows us to move people off of SV [Sempervirens, the county’s acute psychiatric care facility] which is a very expensive placement and to utilize those beds more effectively. And so there’s many ways that it kind of just supports our community by treating people at the correct level.”

During a public comment period, Connie Stewart of the California Center for Rural Policy said furthering continuum of care is an ongoing investment.

“There’s going to be a whole lot of different facilities and different kinds of care we’re going to be asking you to support over the next few years,” she continued. “We want to make sure that we’re not just putting a person in the wrong place, that they’re really being put in a place where they can be helped and be a productive member of our community.”

The contract’s cost “isn’t even a shocking price to some of us who have been looking at this continuum,” Stewart said, reiterating that “we are going to be asking the community and the board to invest in making sure that we have the complete continuum in the future.”

Supervisor Mike Wilson noted the county’s other mental health care investments, including replacing the Sempervirens facility, which is in a design phase, and construction of a Behavioral Health Crisis Triage Center at Mad River Community Hospital.

The Triage Center is funded through a \$12.3 million state grant and the county has contributed \$2 million of federal and opioid settlement funding to it.

Wilson said the projects represent “a pretty substantial change to our mental health care infrastructure,” making the county’s treatment capacity “probably one of the best for rural California, if not the United States.”

## Triage Center coming to Arcata

**COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

ARCATA – The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors has signed a memorandum of understanding which will allow Mad River Community Hospital to begin design and construction of the Behavioral Health Crisis Triage Center on its campus in Arcata.

Driven by the need for mental health crisis triage services in Humboldt County, the Crisis Triage Center will include a sobering center, mental health care and crisis stabilization. The facility will serve people of all ages, regardless of insurance, with stays ranging from less than 24 hours to 90 days.

Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services Director Connie Beck said she is grateful for the hard work and collaboration from so many partners that has helped move this project forward.

“Sen. McGuire and our state representatives helped secure a large portion of funding, Mad River Community Hospital CEO Doug Shaw and his team are providing the location for this facility to be built, our Board of Supervisors approved a multimillion-dollar match so that we could secure the needed grant. Additionally, Cal Poly Humboldt’s Executive Director of Initiatives Connie Stewart not only brought our teams together and provided her expertise and assistance so we could truly understand the gaps and needs in our systems, but also took lead on the grant application and the gathering of other funding to make this a reality. And finally, I am grateful for the Behavioral Health teams in the county and our community who will support this work to be successful. If not for all these players, we would not be here today.”

In June 2023, the California Department of Health Care Services awarded Mad River Community Hospital \$12.3 million through the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program’s Round 5: Crisis and Behavioral Health Continuum. Mad River Community Hospital is constructing the facility on its campus, while the county allocated \$2.6 million in funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, a grant from the County Medical Services Program and Opioid Settlement money.

Shaw said, “This will have a substantial impact on the Behavioral Health offerings for our community as a whole. We hope to be able to share preliminary designs with the community early next year.”

## Kernan | ‘Intersection of opportunity’

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and productive fleet of trucks and equipment.”

Ford said one of the issues that needs to be worked on is Kernan’s unpermitted construction of a berm and a stormwater retention pond. But he also said that’s related to a culvert the county bears responsibility for.

Supervisors recognized the value of Kernan’s products and Supervisor Steve Madrone focused on collaboration.

“What excites me is that

this hearing that was originally presented as a revocation of permit seems to be morphing into something where we can all work together to try and improve things for the community, for the industrial operations and for the residents and the fish,” he said. “So that’s a good intersection of opportunity and that’s what I’m gonna be focusing on.”

Negotiations on permit changes will continue and the situation will be revisited at the Feb. 4 meeting.

# Holiday Fundraiser Saturday, calling Cream Puff, wigglesome Charlotte

Don’t miss the shelter’s Holiday Fundraiser coming up on Saturday! It takes place at the shelter from noon to four. The open areas are filled with Dutch raffle items just waiting for your raffle tickets! Raffle tickets are available at the shelter now for anyone who can’t come to the event.

On Saturday there will be refreshments, decorations, a memory star tree, and, if weather allows, we’ll bring some dogs around to the front. Don’t miss the Smooch Booth if you need some doggy kisses!

We will have some of the great silent auction items on display but you can see all of them (and bid on what you like) now at [flar.betterworld.org/auctions/holiday-fundraiser-2024](https://www.flar.betterworld.org/auctions/holiday-fundraiser-2024). All proceeds go to the shelter’s Emergency Medical Fund which helps with veterinary expenses for sick or injured animals.

Many of you have heard about our gentle Cream Puff, who had been lost in Southern Humboldt since July. He has had quite an adventure and we are so happy that we

can finally say he is safely back with us. Here is his story: Cream Puff was a resident of the Humboldt County Animal Shelter for over a year. He was loved by the volunteers, who rejoiced when he was finally adopted.

Within 48 hours, however, Cream Puff had escaped from his new home and was lost in the hills. Our intrepid volunteers drove down again and again, checking out sightings, chasing all leads, and shouting “Cream Puff” at the top of their lungs through the hills of Whitethorn, Myers Flat, Weott, Salmon Creek and everything in between. They brought his dog friends from the shelter to aid in the search. They carried rotisserie chickens, hamburgers and squeaky toys. They camped out in their cars and cooked bacon on site to lure him but to no avail.

Eventually, they learned that Cream Puff had been returning to one property in Salmon Creek. One amazing volunteer took the challenge and after several tries, was



**Kendall and Scarlett.**  
**KENDALL ROBERTS | DOGTOWN**



**Cream Puff and Sue.**  
**JOSH SOLOMON | DOGTOWN**

finally able to trap him! He was more than happy to be back with the people who loved him!

Cream Puff is now staying with a volunteer in Arcata, but it is only temporary placement. We are looking for a longer-term foster or an adopter for this brave boy.

According to the volunteer: “Cream Puff is so grateful to have shelter and food and affection! He greets me with a happy smile and excited wag every time I see him. He has been receiving visits from all his volunteer friends and is absolutely thrilled to see them!”

Cream Puff is both crate-trained and house-trained and is very attentive. He can be shy when meeting new people, but warms up quickly and remembers his new friends. He is friendly and playful with other dogs and could do well in a multiple dog household.

Please contact us at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com) or leave a voicemail at (707) 633-8842 to meet this sweet celebrity!

Scarlet has not had quite the adventures of Cream

Puff, but she has been in a foster home which has given us such great information about her. Her foster says:

Scarlet is the sweetest girl! I have loved having her. She has such a zest for life that her whole body wiggles and her tail will start thumping whenever she sees you. She didn’t bark at all, even at a knock on the door or the neighbor’s barking dogs. When meeting the seven-year-old next door, she had very good manners and kept all four paws on the floor.

She loves to come in for big loving snuggles and can also entertain herself with a toy, or take a bone into her kennel to chew. Scarlet has the energy and stamina for big games of fetch or a long walk or hike and is also able to completely relax and home and be a snuggle bug. She really is the perfect dog! She slept in her kennel all night and did great.

Scarlet’s foster will be gone for the holidays and we’re hoping to find her an adopter or a new foster soon. Please contact the shelter at (707) 840-9132 for more information or to meet Scarlet!

## 7.0 earthquake triggers tsunami warning, evacuations

**MAD RIVER UNION**

HUMBOLDT – A whopper of an earthquake struck the North Coast Thursday, Dec. 5, triggering a tsunami warning and the evacuation of low-lying areas.

The magnitude 7.0 quake occurred at 10:44 a.m. about 40 miles off the coast from Rio Dell. Despite its size, the quake was a gentle one and did not cause significant damage. There were no reported injuries.

Shortly after the quake hit, a tsunami warning was issued.

“The National Tsunami Warning Center in Palmer Alaska issued a tsunami

warning for much of the northwestern California coast shortly following the earthquake. As soon as it was clear that no residual waves were likely, the tsunami warning was cancelled. There is no current tsunami threat to Humboldt County,” stated a press release issued by the Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office that afternoon.

The tsunami warning triggered a mass evacuation of the Samoa Peninsula. At the time of the quake, Pacific Gas & Electric crews were working in Manila upgrading power lines. There were also crews working on the underground fiber optic cables.

A long line of utility trucks and vehicles were backed up on the highway, in the tsunami inundation zone, as they made their way towards Arcata. Parents rushed to schools to pick up their children, snarling traffic in nearby neighborhoods (*See letter, page 6.*)

In Jacoby’s Storehouse on the Arcata Plaza, building co-owner Bill Chino was on a 12-foot ladder decorating a Christmas tree at 10:44 a.m.

“I thought someone was shaking the ladder from below, like a practical joke,” Chino said. “I went down and nobody was there.”

## Evaluating Arcata’s emergency response

**CITY OF ARCATA**

ARCATA – Following the large earthquake and subsequent tsunami warning on Thursday, Dec. 5, the City of Arcata would like to thank the community for heeding emergency warnings as well as remind the community of safety measures and where to find accurate information in crucial times.

The City of Arcata, alongside the rest of Humboldt County and many other areas in California, experienced a 7.0 magnitude earthquake on Thursday, Dec. 5 with the serious potential to generate a tsunami in the Humboldt Bay area.

In response, the National Weather Service Warning System was activated to notify the community of the potential threats. The City also utilized its CodeRED system to notify community members registered to the service and provide safety information.

Those seeking to register for CodeRED notifications can do so for free at [cityofarcata.org/685/CodeRED](https://cityofarcata.org/685/CodeRED).

The City would like to thank the community for their adherence to safety protocol and fast action. It would also like to acknowledge that there was some confusion about where to go

for safety from a tsunami. To clear up this confusion for future tsunami warnings, the city will be publishing updated tsunami hazard area maps on the City’s website as well as in other public places for access by the community.

At this time, the most current mapping of areas subject to potential tsunami impact can be found through the City’s parcel finder at [tinyurl.com/ArcataGIS](https://tinyurl.com/ArcataGIS). A review of the maps shows that a significant portion of Arcata is outside of tsunami hazard area including most of the areas north of Samoa Boulevard including the Arcata Plaza.

The City of Arcata will be continuing to work with the County of Humboldt and other emergency services to evaluate the response to the recent earthquake and tsunami warning and make adjustments as needed. The City would also like to encourage community members to continue preparing for unexpected events by reviewing their emergency plans with loved ones before an emergency strikes.

Don’t forget that travel by foot to get outside of a tsunami zone may be the quickest route. Visit the Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services website for help with planning and preparing.

## MCSD | Sewer, water systems braced for quakes

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Fischer Station receives all wastewater from the southern half of the District, consisting of a population of approximately 9,000 people. It also collects the overflow from the Hiller Lift Station when the wastewater flows are too high for Hiller to handle, or if the Hiller Station were to become disabled from an earthquake or shut down for other maintenance.”

The building is about 50 years old, although there have been equipment upgrades.

“The station’s generator and automatic transfer switch were recently upgraded along with the addition of a

Tesla battery back-up unit and will not need to be upgraded as part of this project,” Kaspari wrote. “Most of the rest of the station will require upgrading as it was built in the early ’70s and therefore does not meet current building code, including the seismic requirements.”

The total project cost is estimated at \$1,582,000, with \$1,186,500 funded through a Federal Emergency Management Agency Hazard Mitigation grant and a \$395,000 match from the MCSD.

Other projects being pursued by the district to make its infrastructure more resilient include the construction of a 4.5-million-gallon water tank near Cochran Road. Construction of the \$14.4

million tank is almost complete, although underground piping and other amenities still need to be completed. The water tank will provide the town with additional capacity, which will be necessary in the event of a large earthquake or for fighting wildfires.

The district is also in the planning stages for replacing two redwood water tanks located at the west end of Hewitt Avenue on McCluski Hill.

Another project the district is continuing to pursue is building an additional water line to across the Mad River to connect to the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, the MCSD’s wholesale water supplier.



**CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT** Join the Redwood Region Audubon Society on Thursday, Dec. 12 for an orientation on the upcoming Christmas Bird Count (CBC). This program will be held at our regular venue, Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd. or you can also view it via the Zoom link found on our website. Hot drinks and goodies will be served at 7 p.m., the program begins at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome! We'll cover the basics of the CBC count circles of our area before the first count in Arcata on Saturday, Dec. 14. Come and learn the history of our local counts as

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Este proceso es tanto para solicitudes nuevas como de renovación. Para obtener más información, por ejemplo, sobre los plazos de solicitud, comuníquese con su distrito escolar de residencia.

Si no está seguro de conocer su distrito de residencia, consulte en [hcoe.org/district-locator](http://hcoe.org/district-locator).

Humboldt County Office of Education

**KINGS TIDE WALK** Friends of the Dunes themed walks this month include a King Tides Walk on Friday, Dec. 13, from 9 to 11 a.m. Witness the beauty and energy of the king tides as you explore mesmerizing coastal dune ecosystems. This is a moderate hike through soft sand and includes a few sandy slopes that can be physically challenging for some bodies. Remember to dress appropriately for the weather and to bring a water bottle! RSVP is required, please email [info@friendsofthedunes.org](mailto:info@friendsofthedunes.org) or call (707) 444-1397 to reserve a spot.

**A MUSICAL SCIENCE JOURNEY** The Natural History Museum Cal Poly presents a talk, From Frogs & Bacteria to DNA: A Musical Science Journey, with Associate Professor Catalina Cuellar-Gempeler of the Department of Biological Sciences Cal Poly Humboldt on Friday, Dec. 13 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at 1242 G St., Arcata. The mysteries of the biological world are alive. Music in this presentation will take you from the songs of frogs to the dynamic code embedded in the DNA. Learn about environmental issues, obscure marine organisms, the microorganisms living inside you, carnivorous plants, epigenetics, and more! Admission is free. [natmus@humboldt.edu](mailto:natmus@humboldt.edu), (707) 826-4480

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Bazemore is Humboldt’s first NCS tennis champion



**CHAMP** Lily Bazemore competed against athletes from Del Norte County to San Francisco to win the championship.

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**NORTHCOAST PREPARATORY ACADEMY**  
ARCATA – Northcoast Preparatory Academy junior Lily Bazemore recently won first place in the NCS Division 2 Championships for high school tennis singles.  
This is the first time that any player from Humboldt County has won this title, and Bazemore battled athletes spanning from Del Norte to San Francisco to clinch the championship.  
“It was one of the biggest mental challenges I faced because I felt like there was a lot of pressure,” said Bazemore. She overcame the pressure by taking the match a minute at a time.  
“I think just staying in the present moment was really important – just focusing on this point right here and not looking too far ahead,” Bazemore said.  
Bazemore is the first NCS Tennis Champion from Humboldt in girls or boys, singles or doubles, from Division 1 or Division 2, since the tournament began (1977 for girls and 1915 for boys). Bazemore won her championship match with a 6-2, 6-0 victory, never giving up more than two points per match the entire tournament.  
Bazemore, NPA, and Humboldt County hopes to repeat her success next year when she will be a senior. Congratulations, Lily!



Lily Bazemore

MCSD directors to take oath; BMX track delayed

**Jack Durham**  
**MAD RIVER UNION**  
**McKINLEYVILLE** – During a special meeting this week, Greg Orsini and Scott Binder will take the oath of office and begin their four-years on the McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors.

As of Monday, Dec. 9, when the Union went to press, a date and time for the meeting had not been announced. The incumbent board members were the only ones to take out election papers and therefore did not appear on the ballot. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors were scheduled Tuesday, Dec. 10, after the Union went to press, to appoint Orsino and Binder to the MCSD.  
The district oversees sewer, water, streetlights, open space maintenance, parks and recreation in the unincorporated community. The district also owns both the Law Enforcement Facility building and the Humboldt County Library building at



**COMING SOON** Work is scheduled to begin in April 2025 on a BMX track and park near School Road and Washington Avenue in McKinleyville. Along with the BMX course, the park will include a pickball court, half basketball court, a playground, restrooms and a parking lot.

GRAPHIC VIA MCSD

Pierson Park. The County of Humboldt provides the staffing for those facilities.  
**BMX track**  
Work was scheduled to begin this year on a BMX track and park at School Road and Washington Avenue, but work has been delayed until April of next year.  
Although the district obtained project approv-

al from the Humboldt County Planning Commission in September, the Humboldt County Planning and Building has asked questions about the project.  
It has taken time and some back and forth to resolve those questions, thereby delaying the project.  
According to the MCSD’s Dec. 4 board

meeting packet, the district expects it will receive permits in January 2025 and work will commence in April 2025.  
The project is being paid for with a \$2.3 million grant from the State of California Natural Resources Agency Department of Parks and Recreation. The park is about three



Greg Orsini



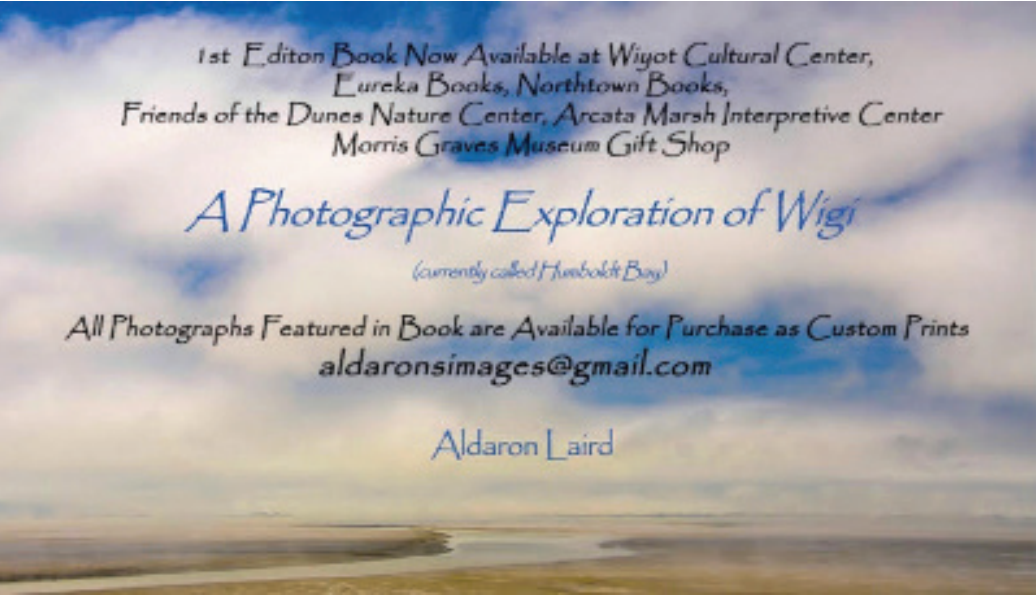
Scott Binder

**ARCATA HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET** The 2024 Holiday Craft Market takes place Saturday, Dec. 14 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Arcata Community Center, 321 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Arcata. Artists and crafters come together for this two-day event and share their talents with our community. A wide variety of handcrafted items will be available for your holiday gift shopping. Admission is a \$2 donation to the Youth Development Scholarship Fund. Last year’s Holiday Craft Market raised \$8,874 for the Youth Development Scholarship Fund.

**THIRD ANNUAL LOLETA HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET** The 2024 Holiday Craft Market takes place Saturday, Dec. 14 and Sunday, Dec. 15 from 9 a.m. to 4

p.m. at the Loleta Fireman’s Pavillion, 824 Loleta Dr., Loleta. Sponsored by the Loleta Volunteer Fire Department, this Holiday Market showcas-

es the best of our area artisans and vendors, for all of your holiday gift giving needs! Join us for food, fun and festival frivolity at this two-day event!



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## What I learned from a 7.0 earthquake

At our house in Arcata Bottom, the earthquake seemed brief. Nothing fell over, just a bit of rattling. Not very scary. What was scary was the tsunami warning. Scary to us and scary to all the mothers and fathers that had children attending schools in the Bottom. They got into their cars and drove to rescue their child.

The street in front of our house (11th) became gridlocked as did the feeder streets around all the schools in the Bottom. No movement. Anxious, trapped, waiting parents.

One parent got on his electric bike, peddled by the gridlock, picked up his 5 year old, and rode up to high ground in less time than a car could during “normal” times.

Little Learners, to their credit, immediately led their preschool children on foot to high ground at Stuart Park.

From this tsunami induced chaos comes, to my mind, some suggestions:

Cars are useless in an earthquake and tsunami. Streets will be broken, if an 8-9 quake hits, or choked to a standstill if of a lesser magnitude.

Moms and Dads, fix up those bikes rusting in the garage, this week! Put a “kid” seat on it so you can carry your child to higher ground. Have the tires pumped up, have it ready!

If you must use a car, use side streets. We drove west(!) on 11th Street, turned left, left again. One street over (10th) was deserted.

At the schools with no high ground nearby, get the kids up on the roof. A three foot child will have a much better chance of survival if that child is 12 feet above the ground. Please, no building code/red

## ❖ LETTERS

tape bullshit or expensive retrofits, just get them up there! Maybe folding bleachers attached to the side of buildings, accordion stairs, boarding netting, multiple ladders, pull down ramps. It's a matter of saving young lives.

Lastly, sit down with your family and make plans. Think about where you are throughout the week and plan how to get everyone to high ground.

A friend of ours sat in their bay view house and watched the bay. The water went out, exposing mud flats, the water came in again, out again, in again. That was earthquake generated, a tsunami.

Use this fearful experience to energize you into action. Fix what you can, plan, get ready!

Craig Knox  
Arcata

## Don't flush wipes!

While reading current, future Arcata water projects detailed in the Nov. 28 issue of the *Mad River Union*, your site recommended a related article titled “Don't let so-called ‘flushable’ wipes turn your bathroom into a house of lies.” Do your readers know how the two are related?

According to the City of Arcata's Fiscal Year 24-25 Proposed Budget, the city estimates spending \$67 million on the first phase of the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvement Project. The project is aimed at preparing for climate change and sea level rise in 2055.

What good will that investment be if so-called non-flushables accumulate and disable pumps and other critical equipment needed for the wastewater treatment plant

to operate effectively? In addition, blockages could lead to overflows in homes or neighborhoods.

This is an urgent matter—“flushable wipes” do not break down fast enough and should never be flushed.

It makes no sense to put the city in a position to have to find and repair problems related to “flushable wipes”—in its 61 miles of wastewater collection network and 11 pump stations—when citizens could take matters into their own hands at no cost to the city.

Simply don't flush them.

Melanie Bettenhausen  
Arcata

## Missed opportunity

I had my hopes up when I saw the word “arteries” in “Delicious Holiday Grease Clogs Municipal Arteries” (December 5, 2024). But no warning of the similar human artery problems from this grease.

I don't think anyone would put sand in their car because “just once won't hurt.” We overeat at the holidays, and much of the food is made unhealthy with extra salt and fat. “Holiday heart syndrome” is a thing, and the last week of the year has the highest incidence of cardiac deaths.

Take care of your priceless human machine. Fuel with the best foods.

Don't eat until it hurts, pass on or have only one alcoholic drink, eat fewer fats, use salt sparingly, and save time to exercise.

It will be a great gift to yourself and those you love.

For more information, read: [jeffer-sonhealth.org/your-health/living-well/heres-how-to-protect-your-heart-health-during-the-holidays](http://jeffer-sonhealth.org/your-health/living-well/heres-how-to-protect-your-heart-health-during-the-holidays).

Bonnie MacEvoy, MD MPH  
Arcata

## Health care for all

Everyone should decry the horrifying assassination of United Health's CEO. But we must also ask, why are certain lives precious and others, not?

Murder is murder — United Health has promoted crushing debt, suffering and death on millions of Americans in the name of profit. Of course, they do what corporations must do — make money.

It's “in ourselves” that the error lies, that we have not been able to summon the voice to demand non-profit, universal, single-payer health care similar to what all other modern, industrialized democracies enjoy — nations where medical debt and avoidable illness and death are rare or non-existent.

Perhaps, although Mr. Thompson probably would not have wished it, this grim event will have the positive effect of people willing to tell their stories and demand that our government finally accede to what the majority of the population wants — health care without financial or social barriers of any kind.

Our police forces, our fire departments, our highways, even our libraries are all part of the common good, why not health care?

This proposition demands that the common good take ascendancy over corporate greed, and that care for our health should never be sold on the open market. Join us in our goal for improved, expanded non-profit Medicare For All: [health-careforallhumboldt@gmail.com](mailto:health-careforallhumboldt@gmail.com).

Patty Harvey

Humboldt chapters of Health Care for All-CA & Physicians for a National Health Program  
Willow Creek

# Shake, rattle and roll at Trinidad Town Hall; boat parade Sunday

No one in Humboldt and beyond will forget where they were on the morning of Thursday, Dec. 5 during the 7-plus earthquake which affected everyone.

I was in Trinidad Town Hall for the Civic Club Christmas Tea. The sturdy 1917 building shook and rattled and the glass chandeliers swayed for what seemed like ages during the after shocks.

Mayor Cheryl Kelly and other city personnel made the rounds in Trinidad checking on everyone's well being while tsunami warning signals blared.

Trinidad Rancheria at the harbor handled the boat warnings efficiently. Children at Trinidad School were in good hands. Residents everywhere were busy checking on each other and sharing stories.

Northern California is reminded of its coastal, and inland, vulnerabilities. I received calls from relatives and friends in Santa Rosa, Sonoma and Sacramento who felt the impact. What about you?

### Trinidad Boat Parade

The Fourth Annual Santa's Lighted Boat Parade begins on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m., rain

or shine, sponsored by Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria. Bandemonium and the Marching Lumberjacks will play rousing holiday music, joined by the Trinidad School Dragon Musicians.

Boats line up at 5 p.m. at the Harbor, then follow Edwards and Trinity streets to Murphy's Market in Saunders Plaza, driving twice through town.

For a map of the parade route, visit [trinidad-civicclub.org](http://trinidad-civicclub.org). If you'd like to join the parade with a lighted boat, contact Trinidad Harbor

Master Casey Box at (707) 382-0569.

### Holiday Show & Sing-Along

Fleschtone Records presents “Dave's Lowdown Holiday Jam” in Trinidad Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. Trinidad raised Dave Fleschner is returning home once again with an evening of music for everyone.

Fleschner was recently selected to represent the Cascade Blues Association in the International Blues Challenge by winning a competition at the Portland Waterfront Blues Festival. He'll be traveling to Memphis in early January to compete with acts from all over the world at this international festival.

At 7 p.m., Fleschner will be accompanying his vocals at the Steinway Piano. He'll perform solo versions of his original music from his album *The Blues Cabaret - Where Love Begins*. His songs will both move and amuse you. Fleschner is known for playing different roles in the music industry — ranging from composer, producer, band-leader and side-man. His original tunes are influenced by his experience performing American roots music.

At 7:45 p.m. Fleschner will be joined by Dan Berman on the Upright Bass and Josh Kieselhorst on the drums. These three were part of a local band called Muddy Undercarriage in the early '90s. This group of old friends will be leading you through a joyous set of holiday favorites.

To cap off the evening at 9 p.m., Fleschtone records is proud to partner with Trinidad Kid, who writes: “Born from casual Camel Rock beach jams comes the native son driving, soulsonic, surfmerica sounds of Trinidad Kid. Spearheaded by Jayden Morehead and Nandi Johannes along with Ry Guy Rollin and In-House band Ambassador Dude LaFleur, T-Kid storms the stage with the Jazz-Wizard Keys Ivory tickling Dave Fleschner and son Sebastian. A guaranteed good times vibe that's sure to leave your spirit floating into the Trin-

idad night sky. One Heart, One Love.”

Admission is sliding scale \$10 to \$20. All are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. A portion of the evening's proceeds will benefit Trinidad Museum Society. For information, call (503) 349-7883, email [fleschtonerecords@gmail.com](mailto:fleschtonerecords@gmail.com) or visit [davefleschner.com](http://davefleschner.com).

### Shoe Drive

The Greater Trinidad Area Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser through Feb. 1, 2025 to benefit disaster preparedness equipment gear including radios, a generator, first aid kits and other essential equipment needed for community disaster response.

The program will earn funds based on the total weight of the pairs of gently worn, new or used shoes collected.

Donated shoes will then be redistributed via a third-party organization called Funds2Orgs to micro-enterprises in developing countries.

Anyone can help by placing your donations in a box at the Town Hall, 409 Trinity Street. Additional collection boxes will be available at various events and locations throughout Trinidad.

CERT Team Leader Larry Goldberg writes “We are excited about our shoe drive. We know that most

people have extra shoes in their closets they would like to donate. By doing so, we raise money for much needed emergency response equipment and we have the chance to help families in developing nations who need economic opportunities, and we keep shoes out of the landfill. It's a win-win-win for everyone.”

The CERT Team is the local implementation of the National FEMA CERT program and is made up of trained volunteers who provide disaster response in the community in support of first responders. The GTA CERT team covers the area from Little River to Big Lagoon and is sponsored by the City of Trinidad. For more information contact Larry Goldberg at [larry@north-coastca.org](mailto:larry@north-coastca.org) or call (707) 845-7272.

### On the subject of disasters and neighbors' generosity

Long time Patrick's Point Drive residents Martin and Heidi Garrett lost their home to a fire on Nov. 24. They lost everything. Neighbors Tiffany Kelly and Brian Hiebert of The Lost Whale Inn started a GoFundMe account for them. Go to [gofundme.com](http://gofundme.com) and Donate to Help Martin and Heidi Rebuild After Fire.

Email Patti at [baycity@sonic](mailto:baycity@sonic).

# Keep yourself a yard list of all the different kinds of birds that alight there

Birders like to keep lists. We like to record when and where we saw particular birds. We have life lists, county lists, yard lists, state lists and trip lists. We are prone to grab a checklist of common birds and animals at certain parks, natural attractions or refuges.

I never started a life list until I moved here to open Strictly for the Birds in 1990. I figured a “proper” birder should keep such a list. As a child of about 9, I spent my childhood in the woods behind my house in Massachusetts. I recalled all the birds that had grabbed my attention so many years back. There were many.



❖ BIRD BRAINS  
Louise Bacon-Ogden

This exercise jump-started my life list. However, now I needed to learn and list the local birds. Since the store was closed on Sunday, this became a day to “work” in the field. It was great fun and my life list grew quite rapidly.

Soon after moving here, I realized that many people also kept a yard list. Ah, that sounded like fun. Plus, I needed to use and review

the products I was selling. Besides seed and feeders, I sold many field guides and other bird related titles. Gardening for birds was highly recommended. I began creating an oasis for many local birds to enhance my landscape. Quickly, I was listing and dating all my sightings.

As I birded all the great habitats in Humboldt and beyond, my life list was filling fast. But, despite my garden with its numerous feeders, not so with my yard list. In a day, I could attract and view 100 birds. In fact, I hosted so many goldfinches that I named my yard “Goldfinch Gardens.”

As I altered my yard with more diversity of trees, shrubs and flowers plus a pond, the number of species grew. Maybe you recall the line from “Field of Dreams”...“if you build it, they will come!” And, they did!

In fact, I felt that since I was right in the middle of the city of Eureka, my numbers were rather impressive. In about seven years (1997), I had listed about 50 different species. By March of 2021, I hit #100. And then, just this past Octo-

ber, 2024, came #101!

Oh, and what a special bird! It was not a new species to me. I had seen the Prothonotary (pro thon' it tar ee) warbler while in Louisiana. And, I believe, one was spotted in Ferndale many years ago. I did not find the bird then. But, here it was with a small flock of goldfinches... in my yard!

Finches clung to feeders while the visitor flitted and gleaned from the overgrown vegetation. It was making its way to my fountain, situated near a good viewing window. I held my breathe as it approached. For only a minute or two, I was able to gather some field markings...in my head.

Suddenly, *whoosh*, all the birds left as the trash collection truck rumbled down the alley on pick-up day! All the birds scattered. Oh, no!

I finally grabbed my binoculars and field guide. Sure enough, it was, indeed, a Prothonotary warbler. Oh, to see it again! I watched and waited. In about 20 minutes, the birds began to return one by one. I thoroughly scanned all the trees and bushes. Goldfinch, goldfinch, goldfinch! They came and went several times during the day but without the warbler.

I checked again for several days as I watched the goldfinches empty my feeders. Later in the month, the goldfinches were joined by a few yellow-rumped warblers, two chickadees, one male house sparrow, 3 Eurasian doves and a hummingbird!

The bird's visit was very short and absolutely *sweet*!

So, bird lovers, happy listing! May you get your own #101!



**CHOREOGRAPHY SHOWCASE** The Cal Poly Humboldt School of Dance, Music and Theatre presents Choreography Showcase, directed by Kyleigh Brine and Carrie Walpole., on Friday, Dec. 13 and Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at the John Van Duzer Theatre at Cal poly Humboldt. Tickets are \$8 general, \$5 children, and free for Cal Poly Hum-

boldt students with ID. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at [tickets.humboldt.edu/dance-music-and-theatre](https://tickets.humboldt.edu/dance-music-and-theatre). The evenings dances include *Computerized Emotion* by student choreographer Stella Marie; *Mid-night Muses* choreographed by MJ Williams; *Unlovable*, choreographed by student Jordan Eyre; *Dysrhythmia*,

choreographed by Kole Fisher; *Discothèque Darlings*, choreographed by Lana Gallinat; *Unstuck*, choreographed by student choreographer Gabrielle Jones; *•Set in Stone*, choreographed by student Phoenix Jones; *Eternal Light*, choreographed by student Makena Martin; and *Coruscate*, choreographed by student Ciel Schlagenhauf.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00615

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **HOTEL IVANHOE 315 MAIN STREET FERNDALE, CA 95536** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **THE RESTATED HOFFMAN-MULVILL REVOCABLE TRUST DATED AUG. 20, 1998 315 S. MAIN STREET FERNDALE, CA 95536** This business is conducted by: **A TRUST S/GEOFFREY D. MUSSLMAN, TRUSTEE** This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 21, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** SG/DEPUTY CLERK 12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1

### CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 294

Case Name: Brandon Barnett, Jr. Case No. JV170152 1. To: Ancheri Johnston, and anyone claiming to be a parent of Brandon Barnett, Jr., born on 06/15/2017, at Providence-St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka, CA. 2. A hearing will be held on January 22, 2025, at 8:31 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor. 3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer. 4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated. 5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for you. 6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final. 7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present. ATTORNEY FOR: CHILD WELFARE SERVICES SCOTT A. MILES, INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL #262695 JOAN TURNER, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL #262695 825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 445-7236 DATE: November 05, 2024 Meara Hatten, CEO, Clerk, by Vickie I., Deputy 11/20, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: CV2401044 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: MICAH TITUS, II, NORTH BAY TRANSIT, DAVID DRENNEN AND DOES 1-10, YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): JEREMY ALAMEDA AND LAURENE HEATH NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration

award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.su-corte.ca.gov](http://www.su-corte.ca.gov)), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, ([www.su-corte.ca.gov](http://www.su-corte.ca.gov)) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is ((El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Humboldt Superior Court 825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501 The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: ((El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE III (CSB 197839) The Zwerdling Law Firm, LLP 804 Third St. Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 798-6211 Meara Hatten, Clerk Deputy, JOHN Date: May 24, 2024 **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES** CV2401044 PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA AND LAURENE HEATH DEFENDANT:MICAH TITUS, II, NORTH BAY TRANSIT, DAVID DRENNEN AND DOES 1-10, TO: DAVID DRENNAN PLAINTIFF: LAURENE HEATH seeks damages in the above-entitled action as follows: 1. General damages: a. Pain, suffering, and inconvenience; \$250,000 2. Special damages: a. Medical expenses (to date): \$30,526.67 b. Future medical expenses (present value): to be determined Dated: Nov. 12, 2024 RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE III **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES** CV2401044 PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA AND LAURENE HEATH DEFENDANT:MICAH TITUS, II, NORTH BAY TRANSIT, DAVID DRENNEN AND DOES 1-10, TO: MICAH TITUS, II, PLAINTIFF: LAURENE HEATH seeks damages in the above-entitled action as follows: 1. General damages: a. Pain, suffering, and inconvenience; \$250,000 2. Special damages: a. Medical expenses (to date): \$30,526.67 b. Future medical expenses (present value): to be determined Dated: Nov. 12, 2024 RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE III **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES** CV2401044 PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA AND LAURENE HEATH DEFENDANT:MICAH TITUS, II, NORTH BAY TRANSIT, DAVID DRENNEN AND

DOES 1-10, TO: DAVID DRENNAN PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA seeks damages in the above-entitled action as follows: 1. General damages: a. Pain, suffering, and inconvenience; \$5,000.00.00 2. Special damages: a. Medical expenses (to date): \$1,060,533.79 b. Future medical expenses (present value): to be determined Dated: Nov. 12, 2024 RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE III **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES** CV2401044 PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA AND LAURENE HEATH DEFENDANT:MICAH TITUS, II, NORTH BAY TRANSIT, DAVID DRENNEN AND DOES 1-10, TO: MICAH TITUS, II, PLAINTIFF: JEREMY ALAMEDA seeks damages in the above-entitled action as follows: 1. General damages: a. Pain, suffering, and inconvenience; \$5,000.00.00 2. Special damages: a. Medical expenses (to date): \$1,060,533.79 b. Future medical expenses (present value): to be determined Dated: Nov. 12, 2024 RICHARD H. DALRYMPLE III 11/20, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00610** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **REDWOOD PALACE 6735 HWY 254 MIRANDA, CA 95553** P.O. BOX 32 **MIRANDA, CA 95553** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **MARY JO DREWS 6735 HWY 254 MIRANDA, CA 95553** This business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL S/MARY JO DREWS, OWNER**

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 19, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** SC/DEPUTY CLERK 1/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00607** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **KINFOLK BEAUTY SUPPLY 318 W. HARRIS EUREKA, CA 95503** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **KINFOLK BEAUTY SUPPLY, LLC CA 202461913957 318 W. HARRIS EUREKA, CA 95503** This business is conducted by: **A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY S/ROCHELLE H. BURGESS, MANAGING MEMBER** This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 18, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** JR/DEPUTY CLERK 1/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00533** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **3000 FEET COACHING 1812 MAPLEWOOD DR. MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **AUSTIN T. NEWBLOM 1812 MAPLEWOOD DR. MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519** This business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL S/AUSTIN NEWBLOM, OWNER** This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Oct. 3, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** JR/DEPUTY CLERK 1/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00601** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **PHAZE PRINTS 3D 3287 BARNETT AVENUE MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **FAITH R. MACIEL 3287 BARNETT AVENUE MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519** This business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**

**S/FAITH REAMAN MACIEL, OWNER** This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 14, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** JR/DEPUTY CLERK 1/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00600** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **TWO SHORES DESIGNS 2567 LINDSTROM AVE. SAMOA, CA 95564** P.O. BOX 244 **SAMOA, CA 95564** COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT **CPR AQUATIC INC. CA 2015455 2567 LINDSTROM AVE. SAMOA, CA 95564** This business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION S/JOHN NICOLINI, PRESIDENT**

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 14, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** JR/DEPUTY CLERK 1/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 24-00592** The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **SHELL ENERGY SOLUTIONS RETAIL SERVICES 909 FANNIN ST. SUITE 3500 HOUSTON, TX 77010** COUNTY OF HARRIS **MP2 ENERGY NE LLC TEXAS 202014910867 909 FANNIN ST. SUITE 3500 HOUSTON, TX 77010** This business is conducted by: **A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY S/LYNN S. BORGMEIER, SECRETARY**

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on Nov. 8, 2024 **JUAN P. CERVANTES** JR/DEPUTY CLERK 11/20, 11/27, 12/4, 12/11

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME STEVEN SVEN-KRISTER PEARSON SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT CASE NO. CV2402237 TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:**

1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: A. Present name: **STEVEN SVEN-KRISTER PEARSON** To Proposed name: **STEVEN PEARSON** 2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: JAN. 6, 2025 Time: 8:30 A.M. Dept.: 4 Room: 4

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>. 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River Union. Date: NOV. 22, 2024 Timothy A. Canning. Judge of the Superior Court 12/4, 12/11, 12/18,

12/25

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GRACE K. CLARK** CASE NO.: PR2400317 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: **GRACE K. CLARK** A Petition for Probate has been filed by MARI-AH WARNER in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: MARIAH WARNER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:**

Date: Jan. 9, 2025 Time: 9:30 a.m. Dept.: 4 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501.

COURT MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. PLEASE VISIT <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov> FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEARING.

**If you object** to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

**If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent**, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) **four months** from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) **60 days** from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. **Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.**

**You may examine the file kept by the court.** If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. **SOLE CASHMAN GALE & NIELSEN 2850 HARRIS ST. EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167 12/11, 12/18, 12/25**

**SUMMONS (DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDER) CASE NUMBER:- FL090159**

**FILED NOV. 27, 2024 PERSON ASKING FOR PROTECTION:**

1. **VALERIE ROSE - CAMPBELL, DALIN CAMPBELL, MAREA CAMPBELL, LAYLA ROSE, KORBIN CAMPBELL.** 2. **NOTICE TO: STEPHEN GASPARAS, AKA SAI ROSE** PERSON 1 (VALERIE ROSE - CAMPBELL, DALIN CAMPBELL, MAREA CAMPBELL, LAYLA

ROSE, KORBIN CAMPBELL) IS ASKING FOR A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST YOU.

**YOU HAVE A COURT DATE:** JAN. 13, 2025 8:30 A.M. CR06 Humboldt Superior Court 825 Fifth Street Eureka, CA 95501 **What if I don't go to my court date?**

If you do not go to your court date, the judge can grant a restraining order that limits your contact with th person in 1. If you have a child with the person in 1, the court could make orders that limit your time with your child. Having a restraining order against you may impact your life in other ways, including preventing you from having guns and ammunition. If you do not go to the court date, the judge could grant everything the person in 1 asked the judge to order. **How do I find out what the person (1) is asking for?**

To find out what the person in (1) is asking the the judge to order, go to the courthouse listed at the top of this notice. As tyhe court clerk to let you see your case file. You will need to give the couirt clerk your case number, which is listed above. The request for restraining order will be on form DV-100, REQUEST FOR DOMESTYIC VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDER.

**Where can I get help?** Free legal information is available at your local court's self-help center. Goto [www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp) to find your local center.

**Do I need a lawyer?** You are not required to have a lawyer, but you may want legal advice before your court hearing. For help finding a lawyer, you can visit [www.lawhelpca.org](http://www.lawhelpca.org) or contact your local bar association. Meara Hattan, Clerk Deputy, ATONIA Date: NOV. 27, 2024 12/11, 12/18, 12/25, 1/1

File # 15952092 T.S. No.: 24-14210-104 Loan No.: \*\*\*\*\*0031 Notice of Trustee's Sale Note: There is a summary of the information in this document attached\* [Pursuant to civil code § 2923.3(a), the summary of information referred to above is not attached to the recorded copy of this document, but only to the copies provided to trustor.] You are in default under a deed of trust dated 1/20/2021. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceeding against you, you should contact a lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Original Trustor(s): George M Tannehill an Unmarried Man, and Rochelle A Agers an Unmarried woman, as Joint Tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: WT Capital Lender Services, a California corporation Recorded 1/25/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-

001565, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Humboldt County, California Date of Sale: 1/3/2025 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: At the front entrance to the County Courthouse, 825 5TH Street, Eureka, Ca 95501 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$205,207.94 Estimated Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1001 Mahan Rd., Garberville, Ca 95542 Legal Description: All that certain real property situated in the County of Humboldt, State of California, described as follows: Parcel One: Beginning at the section corner common to Sections 9, 10, 15 and 16 in Township 4 South, Range 4 West, Humboldt Meridian;thence South 3 degrees 39 minutes 51 seconds East along the East line of said Section 16 a distance of 1322.71 feet to the Southeast corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 16; thence South 88 degrees 03 minutes 47 seconds West along the South line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 16 a distance of 1275.56 feet to the Southwest corner thereof; thence North 5 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds East along the West line of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 16 a distance of 1299.37 feet to the South line of Section 9 in Township 4 South, Range 4 East, Humboldt Meridian; thence along said South line, South 86 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds West, 229.74 feet; thence North 52 degrees 07 minutes 45 seconds East, 105.05 feet; thence North 38 degrees 39 minutes 00 seconds East, 81.82 feet thence North 70 degrees 51 minutes 00 seconds East, 44.24 feet thence South 73 degrees 21 minutes 15 seconds East, 56.17 feet to the West line of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 9; thence South 41 degrees 03 minutes 19 seconds East, 1884.22 feet to the point of beginning. Parcel Two: A non-exclusive right of way for ingress, egress and public utilities within a strip of land 70 feet in width, the center line of which is the center line of the existing road designated Road "D" on the Record of Survey on file in the Office of the County Recorder of Humboldt County, California, in Book 32 of Surveys, Pages 116 to 127, inclusive. Parcel Three: A non-exclusive right of way for ingress, egress and public utilities over the two short pieces of road in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 4 South, Range 4 East, Humboldt Meridian, which lie Northerly of Courses 33, 34 and 35 of Road "D" shown on the Record of Survey on file in the Office of the County Recorder of said County in Book 32 of Surveys, Pages 116 through 127, as conveyed by McKee & Sons, Inc., a California corporation, to Arthur Larson and wife by Deed dated September 14, 1976, and recorded November 17, 1976, in Book 1378 of Official Records, Page 169. 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Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. Bidders at the trustee auction must make cashier's checks payable to WT Capital. Third party cashier's checks will not be accepted. 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**JEFF LANDEN** performs Thursday, Dec. 12 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Local slide guitar virtuoso Jeff Landen shows off his repertoire. The show starts at 7 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 668-5000, [loggerbar.com/events](http://loggerbar.com/events)

**PIET DALMOLEN** performs Thursday, Dec. 12 at The Basement, 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Piet Dalmolen uses loops and effects to create unique interpretations of classic songs from all genres. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 645-2309, [basementarcata.com](http://basementarcata.com)

**THE DAVID NELSON BAND** performs Friday, Dec. 13 and Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Humboldt Brewery, 856 10th St., Arcata. Nelson is best known as one of the original members of psychedelic country rock band the New Riders of the Purple Sage. After playing guitar with the New Riders from the late ’60s until the early ’80s, Nelson left the band to pursue other musical opportunities which included a stint as a member of the Jerry Garcia Acoustic Band. Currently working under the name David Nelson Band, the lineup now includes Pete Sears (Jefferson Starship, Hot Tuna) on bass and keyboards and John Molo (Phil Lesh & Friends, John Fogerty) on drums. Doors open at 8 p.m, shows start at 8:30 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. (707) 826-BREWS, [humbrews.com](http://humbrews.com)

**BIG 8** performs Friday, Dec. 13 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. Paul DeMark, Justin Brown, Jeff Landen, Robert Franklin playing a blend of roots American music, greasy New Orleans and southern grooves. The show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 668-5000, [loggerbar.com/events](http://loggerbar.com/events)

**ANNA HAMILTON** performs Friday, Dec. 13 at Six Rivers Brewery, 1300 Central Av., McKinleyville. Anna Hamilton has been firing up Humboldt County crowds with her music for years. Show starts at 5 p.m. All ages. (707) 839-7580, [sixriversbrewery.com](http://sixriversbrewery.com)

**THE JESSE MILLS BAND** performs Friday, Dec. 13 at Mad River Tap Room at 195 Taylor Way in Blue Lake. Humboldt County guitarist and singer-songwriter Jesse Mills playing hearty blues and roots rock. Show starts at 6 p.m. All ages. (707) 668-4151, [madriverbrewing.com](http://madriverbrewing.com)

**JULIE BETH NAPOLIN** performs Saturday, Dec. 14 at Richard’s Goat, 401 I St., Arcata. With its ethereal, buzzing acoustic riffs, helix of resonant drones and vocal

delivery that often sounds like an ancient form of prayer, Julie Beth Napolin’s debut album *Only the Void Stands Between Us* sure-footedly takes its place in the post-’70s experimental folk lineage. With a special supporting solo set from Meg Baird (Heron Oblivion, Espers), and closing the night is the spirited Celtic psych of locals Vernal Haze. Doors open at 6 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$10 in advance or at the door. (707) 630-5000, [richardsgoat.com](http://richardsgoat.com)

**TURTLE GOLDWATER AND OAK TOP** perform Saturday, Dec. 14 at the Logger, 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake. An evening of Americana country with Turtle Goldwater playing country, honky tonk and bluegrass while sharing the stage with local favorites Oak Top. The show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. (707) 668-5000, [loggerbar.com/events](http://loggerbar.com/events)

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**PAUL CONYERS** performs Sunday, Dec. 15 at The Basement, 780 Seventh St., ground floor of Jacoby’s Storehouse, Arcata. Acclaimed Bay Area-based standup comedian Paul Conyers’ razor-sharp writing and confident performing style have made him a crowd favorite in the S.F. comedy scene and beyond. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., shows start at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. 21 and over. \$20 in advance at [HumboldtComedy.com](http://HumboldtComedy.com). (707) 645-2309, [basementarcata.com](http://basementarcata.com)

**COMING UP:**

- A Celtic Christmas at Van Duzer Theatre, Friday, Dec. 20, 7:30 p.m.
- The Warsaw Poland Bros at Humboldt Brewery, Saturday, Dec. 21, 8:30 p.m.
- Dancing Plague at Richard’s Goat, Saturday, Dec. 21, 9 p.m.
- Barry “The Fish” Melton at Humboldt Brewery, Friday, Dec. 27, 8 p.m.
- Barn Fire performs at the Logger, Tuesday, Dec. 31, 9:30 p.m.
- Black Flag at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, Tuesday, Jan. 14, 7:30 p.m.
- The Peking Acrobats at the Van Duzer Theatre, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 7 p.m.
- Dogs in a Pile at the Arcata Theatre Lounge, Tuesday, Jan. 21, 8 p.m.

**SEEING THE LIGHT** The Cal Poly Humboldt School of Dance, Music, and Theatre presents University Singers and Humboldt Chorale, led by choral director Rachel Samet, in two live concerts on Friday, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. The concert, called “Seeing the Light,” includes a range of compositions that convey the idea of light. “I love the idea of exploring light as a musical theme. Light can be literal, as in nature, and can also be an expression of hope or a way to grapple with contrasts. There is room for a rich variety of textures and expressions,” says Rachel Samet, conductor. Concert tickets are \$15 general, \$5 children, and free for Cal Poly Humboldt students with ID. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at [centerarts.humboldt.edu](http://centerarts.humboldt.edu).

## GAZA | Hot mic moment

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mayor in charge of setting agenda items and Stillman deeply disinterested in the proposal, action by the council doesn’t look likely.

Stillman kicked off the meeting with reading of a city proclamation in recognition of Human Rights Awareness Month, December 2024. The proclamation cites the United Nations’ Universal Declaration of Human Rights on Dec. 10, 1948 and other things, decries “lack of civility” and calls for freedom from fear and respectful dialogue. The proclamation concludes with a call to “use kindness instead of hate, regardless of personal perceptions and political views.”

In accepting the proclamation, Human Rights Commission Chair Jim Glover said that “no one should be complacent at this time in our history that our personal status can’t be challenged, changed or endangered,” he said. He cited Humboldt’s 2018 Sanctuary County Ordinance that prohibits county resources from being used in federal immigration enforcement. “Remember your neighbors and friends when they need you the most,” Glover said.

The proclamation may have tempered the rhetorical excesses of the last several meetings, which have included occa-

sional yelling and profanity over the councilmembers’ alleged racism. But some commenters also saw hypocrisy afoot.

Advocates cast Sister Cityhood as a moral imperative for a city with presumptions of compassion and a reckoning for historic wrongs.

Shawn Leon of RPJC said cities can “create the context for peace” and that community organizing for the project continues.

Caller Sarai said anger can be understood, given the scale of rising racial injustice. “My tone follows the urgency of the issue,” she said.

Caller Ellen P said Zionists have been “stalking, harassing and doxxing Palestinian residents and their supporters.” She said she expected the council to hold accountable the “racist, brutally violent police force accountable.” She wanted explanations for the council majority’s opposition to the Sister City.

“Why are you referring to anger as a problem?” she asked, referring to the human rights proclamation. “A whole feeling is now outlawed in Arcata?” She said anger is a natural reaction to the council’s passive aggression and hypocrisy.

But opponents have cast the proposal over the distant conflict as desultory, a product of historical ignorance and a trendy plaything for political dilettantes – one irrelevant to a town with its own significant challenges.

Another caller castigated European-American Palestinian advocates “who do not know who their own mountain and their own waters are” inserting themselves into the Middle Eastern conflict. “Mind your own backyard,” the caller said, “your country and Europe is all kinda messy.”

“The problem with the Middle East should stay in the Middle East,” said another caller. “I don’t understand why it’s in our community.” The caller said pro-Palestinian advocates are anti-Jewish, and are intimidating local Jews.

Councilmembers uninterested in the Sister City proposal have said they see no significant groundswell of support for it apart from a handful of activists, and that the advocates are free to pursue the matter independently of city government.

Sunday morning, Atkins-Salazar – the top vote-getter in the

# SCENE

## Eureka’s Poet Laureate publishes new book

THE CHURCH OF THE VERY LAST CHANCE

EUREKA – Inaugural Poet Laureate for the City of Eureka, David Holper, will be giving a reading from his first novel, *The Church of the Very Last Chance*. The reading is free, open to the public, and will take place on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Morris Graves Museum of Art, which is located at 636 F St. in Eureka.



David Holper

The novel is a hopepunk vision of the future. It follows Russian travel vlogger Ekaterina Vilakashopka, who gets stranded by a second wave of COVID, gets blind drunk at Dostoevsky’s grave in St. Petersburg, and winds up praying to a god she doesn’t

believe in for help.

When god speaks to her, she at first resists what god asks of her. However, her grandmother convinces her to listen, and, as a result, she winds up starting a new spiritual movement to address the intractable problems of the world. However, when her sermon goes viral, the forces of the status quo fight back. And so she must both flee the spies who wind up chasing her, as well as figure out how to grow her spiritual movement before she is caught or killed.

Music will be provided by some members of the Redwood Interfaith Gospel Choir from 6:30 to 7 p.m., and there will be a no host bar available.



Copies of the novel will be available for purchase and signing at the event. Cash or Venmo will be accepted. For those unable to attend the event, both paperback and ebook copies are available through Amazon. [davidholper.com](http://davidholper.com)

## An evening with the Cal Poly Jazz Orchestra

CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

CAL POLY CAMPUS – The Cal Poly Humboldt School of Dance, Music, and Theatre presents the Cal Poly Humboldt Jazz Orchestra, directed by Dan Aldag on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fulkerson Recital Hall. Concert tickets are \$15 general, \$5 children, and free for Cal Poly Humboldt students with ID.

Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at [tickets.humboldt.edu/dance-music-and-theatre](http://tickets.humboldt.edu/dance-music-and-theatre).

The program for the evening includes a performances of *Whisper Not* composed by Benny Golson, *B. and Me* by Doug Davis, *Old School* by Etienne Charles, and *Every-*

*thing in its Right Place*, the Radiohead tune adapted for jazz orchestra by James Miley.

Other songs include *Pianitis* by Chico O’Farrill, *Mama G* by Wayne Shorter and *The Good Trouble Suite*, composed by Matt Wilson and arranged for big band by Jeff Lederer.

The orchestra will end the evening in festive style, performing the the holiday classic *Jingle Bells*, in an arrangement written for the Duke Ellington Orchestra by Billy Strayhorn. The performance will feature solos by John Gerving, piano; Nate Heron, trombone; True LaBoissonniere, alto sax; Mathias Severn, tenor sax; and Ricardo Paredes, clarinet.

## Short plays wanted

EXIT THEATRE

ARCATA PLAZA – The EXIT Theatre seeks submissions for its 2025 Short Play Festival. Festival entries will be accepted Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, 2025.

Twelve plays will have the opportunity for full-stage production.

The festival will be held June 19-29, 2025 in Arcata. Performances will take place Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. at EXIT Theatre, 890 G St., Arcata.

Not only is this festival a good opportunity for writers locally and around the country and internationally, it will showcase our local actors, directors and technicians.

“Given our success over the last two years of championing original scripts with our Short Play Festival, EXIT Theatre has added additional performance dates, Thursdays through Sundays to support a dozen new short plays in 2025,” said Artistic Director Christina

Augello. “Original work has been a signature of EXIT Theatre for the last three decades in San Francisco and now here in Arcata, and we are excited to see what new creative ideas come our way.”

All submissions should be original, short works no more than 15 minutes in length. All theatrical performance styles will be considered that can be comfortably staged in this low-tech, low-budget 30-seat theater. Guidelines for playwrights will be available at [theexit.org](http://theexit.org) and should be read before play submission.

recent election – took the opportunity to clarify her position.

“Many of the people I have spoken to share the same sentiments of horror and helplessness about what is going on in Gaza,” Atkins-Salazar said. “How can people not? It’s awful. At the same time, when the conversations turn to the role the city of Arcata should play, that’s where the unification breaks down. People are skeptical that aid would get through; some are concerned about linking Arcata with the current government in that region; and many think we should be focusing on the problems in our own town and region, and those that are likely coming.”

Continued Atlins-Salazar, “I am elected to serve the city of Arcata at large. I take this role seriously. Over the past four years I have made that clear. It’s not about my personal thoughts and beliefs. It’s about what the people in Arcata, the voters in Arcata-who put me in this seat, want. For me to consider Arcata engaging in a sister city relationship with any city, I would need to know that the resources would get to the people who need them, that I am not in violation of the law, and that there is wide-spread support. At this time, I cannot be sure of any of those.”

Representatives of Centro del Pueblo spoke on behalf of migrant rights, detailing hostile acts at the Sanctuary Garden and slurs against immigrants and vowing continued resistance.

For all the red-hot rhetoric, the meeting’s most-discussed comment may have been a casual remark by Stillman after the meeting was officially done.

With the video feed ended but the audio still running, Stillman, addressing White, who was seated next to her, said, “Boy, I wish I had my computer so I could scroll around like you do while we have to listen to all this stuff.”

“It seems of community concern to know that the City Council has absolutely no interest in hearing what they have to say,” said viewer Gihane Hyden afterward. “As elected officials meant to represent the needs and demands of the community of Arcata, I find this deeply disturbing.”

A veteran of innumerable raging civic controversies over her 53 years of time that includes service on, as of this week, 19 City Councils, Stillman has proven generally unmoved by the passions of the moment, focusing on issues of housing and other municipal matters.

Callers have asked the city to detail its constructive efforts regarding human rights, homelessness and other issues, and City Manager Merritt Perry said “an assortment of staff reports” will be provided at the council’s Jan. 15 meeting to detail progress in various areas.

With regard to the Plaza arrest of Michael Steelman, the city has asked the District Attorney’s Office to drop charges of false identification and obstruction. However, the DA operates independently of the city and will make its own decision.

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